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## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the non-final Office Action mailed October 5, 2006, Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment and consideration of the remarks set forth herein. A response to the Office Action was initially due January 5, 2007. Applicants herein submit a petition for a three month extension of time, extending the time for response to April 5, 2007, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, with the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

The following documents are enclosed herewith: Transmittal letter; A Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.130; Petition for a three (3) month extension of time.